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Nixon Quoted as Barring U.S. Defeat

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1 (AP) —Republican leaders, continuing appeals for national unity on Vietnam, quoted President nixon today as restating that he refuses to be "the first President to preside over an american defeat."

Senator Hugh Scott, the new minority leader, reported that Mr. nixon restated his determination to prevent a united States defeat to a group of about 10 Republican senators at the White House last night. He said the President described his

virtual silence on the war when he said: "The time has come now when, with the best of spirits, we should try to develop this issue.

Mr. Fulbright said he would refuse to heed Mr. Scott's call for a moratorium "until I become convinced this Administration has taken the decision to extricate us from this war."

Senator Kennedy told reporters that he hoped other S tors would join those who spoken up for prompt ac "Ratherthan being disunif he said, "I think it help build a unity of purpose."

And Mr. Fulbright said t by ending the war, "we're admitting a defeat. We're bugging out. We're liquidat a tragic mistake. I object to policy that we should all quiet and hope for the bes

He noted that Mr. Nixo held office for nine mor "the normal period of for humans to bring f issue" — and adde than a moratorium

seek, instead, a moratorium o killing.

"I do not believe there is an justification for another Ameri- can to die in that unhappy land," Mr. Fulbright said.

McGovern Urges Asylum

HARTFORD, Oct. 1 (AP)—An offer of asylum to South Viet- namese who have "put their necks out" durin advocated toda rge S. McGo be taken in drawal. he Sou an icip

NIXON STEPPING UP ATTEMPT TO MUTE CRITICISM OF WAR

Scott and Ford Also Assail Those Who Would 'Bug Out' or Accept 'Capitulation'

FIRM STAND IS ASKED

President, Decorating a Unit of Marines, Say Aim Is to 'Negotiate a Fair Peace'

By ROBERT B. SEMPLE Jr.
Special to The New York Times

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30— Led by President Nixon, the

U.S. TO GIVE MORE PATI

SAIGON, Soutl 8 (AP) — The Navy announce would transfer boats to the S Navy Friday single turnover naval equipment in Vietnam began.

The action will bring to the number of Unit Navy craft transf South Vietnamese 1968. This represents

Beret Officers Return to U.S. Denying That They Had Killed

Friends greeted them with handshakes and hugs.

The other Green Berets were Maj. Thomas C. Middleton Jr., 29, of Jefferson, S. C.; Maj. David E. Crew, 33, of Baltimore; Capt. Leland J. Brumley, 27, of Cuncan, Okla.; Capt. Budge E. Williams, 28, of Athens, Ga., and Capt. Robert F. Marasco, 27, of Bloomfield, N. J.

Cited as 'Triggerman'

history record this incident?"

"I'd rather not see it recorded," Colonel Rheault replied. "It's not a particularly valid historical incident. It better be forgotten as long as people remember that we were exonerated."

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Asked if he would still like to see some of the questions about the episode answered, he said:

"I'm glad that the thing is

Aleutian H-Bomb Is Fired

would not be to the best interests of the nation and of the Army. Secondly, it would be an agonizing experience for our families."

Would Colonel Rheault like to see his honor cleared?

"I believe my honor has been cleared," he shot back.

The Colonel described as "an

ISLAND PREPARED FOR A-TEST TODAY

Nixon Refuses to Call Off Disputed Alaska Blast

By WALLACE TURNER
Special to The New York Times

AMCHITKA ISLAND, Alaska, Oct. 1 — Marine helicopters evacuated about 80 men from this island tonight, clearing the way for tomorrow's underground nuclear weapons test.

Another group of 160 men, most of them scientific and technical personnel, were isolated in Northwest Camp on the far tip of this Aleution island. This is 30 miles away from a 1,200-foot mountain range and from Ground Zero where the blast will take place.

If some catastrophe should occur in connection with the test of a 1.2-megaton hydrogen bomb at noon, Bering Sea time (6 P. M. Eastern daylight time)

Enemy Downs 3 U.S. Aircr Fighting Reported Along L

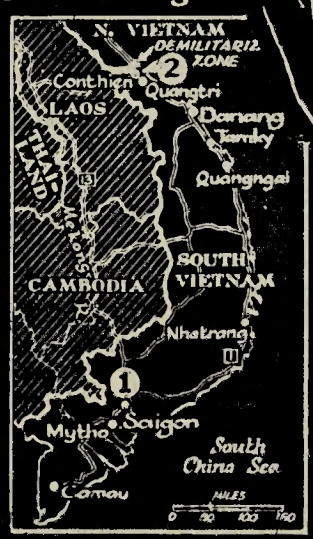
SAIGON, South Vietnam, Oct. 3 (AP) — Enemy gunners downed three United States aircraft and fighting flared along the demilitarized zone as American paratroopers moved in to replace departing marines, military spokesmen said today.

Two of the downed aircraft were observation helicopters of the 82d Airborne Division being used to spot enemy positions in a clash 20 miles north of Saigon. One American was killed and 10 were wounded in the clash on the ground, according to field reports.

An Air Force Phantom fighter-bomber was shot down by enemy ground fire yesterday 95 miles northeast of Saigon and one crewman was killed.

The fighting along the demilitarized zone between troops of the United States 101st Airborne Division and North Vietnamese army regulars late yesterday left two Americans dead and four wounded, United States spokesmen said. No bodies of enemy soldiers were found.

The two-hour battle, a mile below the demilitarized zone and 11 miles east of Conthien, was the first confirmation that the airborne troops are operating in territory that was once



The New York Times Oct. 4, 1969

VIETNAM WAR ACTION: Two U.S. helicopters and a plane were shot down near Saigon (1). Fighting also flared near buffer zone (2).

zone is expected to rest ultimately on South Vietnam's First Infantry Division, which is now spread through Thuathien and Quanttri provinces.

Elsewhere, the United States Navy reported a 5-inch gun aboard the cruiser Boston blew

ENEMY STEP ROCKET A

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THIEU SAYS SAIGON CAN'T FIGHT ALONE BY THE END OF '70

But He Asserts Vietnamese, Given U.S. Equipment, Will Assume 'Bulk' of Combat

SEES PULLOUT DELAYS

President Expects No More Withdrawals This Year —Again Bars Coalition

RENCE SMITH
The New York Times
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Surgeons Say Improved Care of War Wounded Poses Problems

By HAROLD M. SCHMECK Jr.
Special to The New York Times

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 8— The war in Vietnam is giving doctors special problems in predicting which of the wounded

ceiving the most outstanding care of any fighting men in the history of warfare.

Quick helicopter transportation of the wounded is the major reason for this, he and his

have advanced to the point at which virtually any major artery in the body can be repaired if the patient can be kept alive long enough to reach a hospital, he continued. In many cases, this has made it unnecessary to

made although it later proves that the limb was so badly damaged that recovery was impossible. In some of these cases, patients have died of infection in the damaged limb.

Jr., now chief of the department of surgery of the Air Force Academy hospital in Colorado Springs.

The panel members said there were lessons from the Vietnam

Opinion Page

Editorial

Peace Is Not Indigenous

"I fell through a hole in the flag!"

American battle casualties for the week ending Oct. 11 numbered . . ., less than one-fifth of the Communist dead.

"I'm falling through a hole in the flag! Help!"

Buy your very own GI Joe now while supply lasts. Only $2.98.

And so goes the American scene 1969. Vietnam rages, dissent proliferates; but the olive branch is not indigenous to North America.

The past two years have witnessed the discussion over Vietnam move from justification of our involvement to justification for unilateral withdrawal. At best, Americans are finally attempting to mount the Trojan horse from the proper side.

Quandary Is . . .

But the quandary is this: why, in view of existing evidence and dialogue making American disengagement the only palatable alternative, does the vast majority of citizens consciously or subconsciously fail to respond?

In many respects World War II drastically altered the collective psyche of the nation. Thirty per cent of our adult population are veterans of that war while again as many experienced it in some way.

These people, the business and civic leaders of the nation, apparently see no difference between Hitler's SS and the Viet Cong. God just doesn't make enemies like Hitler anymore. Perhaps it would be easier if He did. Wars may no longer be viewed in terms of blackandwhite or rightandwrong.

The post-World War II experience has seen the burgeoning of a new American militarism, both in terms of the gigantic war machine which persisted and in the romanticizing of military exploits. For some the military is a religious experience.

Cult Spreads

The American people have become more and more accustomed to militarism, to uniforms, to the cult of the gun. Generations have been weaned on war news and wartime propaganda; television shows such as Combat, Gallant Men and Rat Patrol and movies such as "The Green Berets" are the ones with the highest ratings.

The emphasis of the Oct. 15 Moratorium and of subsequent ones should be self-education, fresh attempts to reshape the nation's collective psyche.

Unfortunately, tradition-bound citizens appear reluctant to listen to the exuberance of youth who have not the "practical experience" to deal "responsibly" with the sores in American society. Yet, the historian Carl Becker has said that fresh, new errors are preferable to old, stifling truths.

Perhaps, the hole in the flag can yet be mended.

By Ken Zeigler

Ziggy's Follies

'We Have No Heroes'

In a recent poll of a large number of young people, over half of them said there are no living Americans they hold in high regard. For my generation there are no more heroes.

Of the people I admire greatly most are undergraduate students at Wartburg. We have no heroes for a number of reasons: (1) we do not believe in heroes; (2) the old heroes are part of the detestable establishment; (3) we cannot communicate with those who would be our heroes.

ZEIGLER

We are romantics incurably. We don't buy into great men. We believe in individual humans. Maybe the joker I admire doesn't have a carpeted office and didn't attend Yale.

Maybe he lives in a thatched hut and hunts with a spear. Maybe he drives a garbage truck. Maybe he dropped out of graduate school and does nothing but read poetry in a cheap flat.

Maybe he works in a factory every day and then goes to church on Sunday to listen to the liberal preacher tell him he's a sinner and that he ought to get involved. Man, it ought to be enough to live.

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Idolatry is a disillusioning bag. Great men turn out to be human. In "Madame Bovary" Flaubert says, "One should not examine idols too closely: the gilt rubs off on one's fingers."

We cannot communicate with those who would be heroic or at least respectable and admirable. The moratorium committee agreed, for instance, that our longhaired comrades should not canvass neighborhoods Oct. 15 because the older generation would face them with closed minds.

This is strange. Do we have to hide our thoughts in the garb of pseudo-respectability before we can be heard?

I submit that my generation is simply too old-fashioned to fit into the modern world. The older generation, having been here longer, has had time to adjust somewhat to this crazy milieu. It may have been hard to witness the coming of the atomic age, but we were born in the wake of the Bomb.

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The older generation admires scholasticism and the academe. The younger generation sees, with old-fashioned skepticism, this modern rise in the importance of booklearning per se, as a bit impractical. We prefer feeling to intellectuality. Perhaps it is because we think the feelings of a human can generate more compassion than all the atomic scientists in the world can produce fallout. Who knows?

But those men lived so long ago. We can't keep up with your modern world, Older Generation. We're not even sure we want to.

Would the man in the gray flannel suit slam his door in the face of a longhaired canvasser? Is he that modern? Has he kept pace with the changing world so effectively that he cannot even understand, if not agree with, our time-worn, old-fashioned thoughts?

I don't know what the modern generation is coming to.

Letters To The Editor

Student Demands Change In 'Perverted' Society

To the Editor:

You call me a disillusioned student, an unthinking child, a Communist and a long-haired radical, and I cry. I cry not because I am hurt by your labels, but I weep at your blindness. Why are your eyes so clouded by fear and hate?

You call yourselves Christians and upstanding Americans, but I ask you to reflect on what these terms really mean. You might be surprised to know that Christ also had long hair (although you probably couldn't learn this in church, for you're there one hour a week, and your Bible makes a fine paperweight but little more.)

I also thought that some of this country's founding fathers were a little untrimmed although this shagginess didn't seem to get in the way of their thoughts when they stood up against the oppressive English government and managed to write a piece of paper called the Constitution, which declared such silly things as freedom of speech and religion, free political choice and equality of men.

These are the true principles of Christianity and Americanism, and do you feel that you uphold them to the degree that you can sit in judgment of us who seek change?

We do not seek change only for change's sake, but because we feel that society has perverted the ideals for which it says it stands.

Out of fear, society dives blindly and headlong into a war across the ocean to prevent people from obtaining the form of government which the majority of them desire (how would Americans have felt if the French had aided the English in maintaining their reign of tyranny?)

America, you disease - ridden whore,
You alone once stood for truth,
But not anymore.
Your cities are crawling with hate.
Still don't quit trying --
Learn to love before it's too late!
Don't corner your young, listen now,
They've got the answers;
It's you that forgot how,
How to love, how to think,
How to live.
Don't let your glory die in this endless stink.
Stop these corrupt ways of living,
Ways of blind fear;
Change, and start giving.
Don't let a few bigots keep you stewing,
"Father forgive her;
She knows not what she's doing!"

With love for humanity:

-- Mark Johnsen

Military Immaturity Is 'Frightening'

(Ed. note: The following letter to the editor was taken from the Sept. 12, 1969, issue of The Spectrum, State University of New York at Buffalo.)

To the Editor:

I have just received a letter from a friend, a second year married physics grad student who was drafted and has completed five weeks of basic training at Fort Dix.

I thought that anyone who is concerned with the draft and the state of America's armed forces should be interested in his observations. They seem to dispel some stereotypes of the army, but other images emerge which are perhaps even more frightening.

His observations:

"It's interesting that several fraternity men I talked with saw a strong resemblance between harassment here and in their hell weeks. What really amazes me is that almost without exception, I have seen no officers or NCO's who really remind me of that stereotyped square-jawed fascist image that I held in civilian life.

"Most of them have a keen sense of humor, boiling over into immaturity. And it is the immaturity, not the fascism, that is the hallmark of the career man in the military, who sees in combat and war the best chance for proving himself, in an attempt to fill an unquenchable inner need which is both a symptom and a result of his immaturity.

"It can be readily seen in the young GI's swapping yarns about 'shooting up gooks' and, just for fun, having no holds barred (except for hitting the face) fights among themselves (off base) and driving souped up cars with the sides bashed in from reckless driving.

"These are the same type of punks (not necessarily mean, mind you) who become cops, but they are already on a more intelligent level. There are a few people here obviously wasting their potentiality, being happy with the security and camaraderie that the Army club (or gang or fraternity) offers.

"Even the officers (majors, etc.) are less malevolent than dull, vaguely impotent, deriving some satisfaction from being saluted, called sir and allowed to run a few things.

"At the very top, men like Wheeler, Westmoreland, Abrams, manipulating men and material in a huge game of chess or maybe blocks. These men have no interest in ideologies or politics, just in being allowed to play their games, with more sophisticated toys, to prove themselves.

"And the men who die should be grateful for having been allowed to play in the holy proving ground of war. So I'm not drafted, I'm chosen . . . I leave you with this: through the dullness of my spirit one day, I saw a truckload of trainees barrelling down the road.

"I looked up and gave them the V-sign, and they all cheered and gave it back."

-- Richard Sorrell

Reader Discusses Viet Intervention

To the Editor:

There is widespread dissension against the war in Vietnam. The Moratorium is sufficient evidence for this. But few, I believe, have taken time to consider the numerous valid reasons for this war. I intend here to set down these reasons with an attempt to prove this a just war:

1) The first justification is quite obvious. The United States has a war economy. Without such defense expenditures such as mass troop training and military, many families would be stranded without any source of income. This would be a dreadful blow to our national integrity, not to mention the Protestant work ethic.

South Vietnam Prospers

A subpoint under this is that the South Vietnamese nation has never before enjoyed such economic prosperity as they have since the U.S. occupation. Now they have a market for their national products, such as whiskey and marijuana, and even more important their women can now support their families through a lucrative business which has little initial investment.

2) The world is faced with the problem of over - population. Nature's guard against this has always taken the form of disease and war. With the reduction in the amount of deaths due to disease, the only natural way left to eliminate this problem is through conflict, which is, thank God, readily today available in Asia.

Nation Has Duty

3) It is a fact that the only valid form of government is democracy. Anyone who disagrees is assisting Communist imperialism. Our duty as a nation is to make sure the rest of the world is free to think as we do. We must stand in defense of this freedom no matter what force is necessary to secure us against Communist aggression.

4) It is common knowledge that the oriental is inferior to western stock. Their minds are confused with paradoxes and their bodies are weak. The only exceptions are found in such countries as Japan which have allowed themselves to be taught by the western mind.

Therefore, if the orientals such as the North Vietnamese refuse to be westernized, we must exterminate them before their incomprehensible propaganda influences the superior mind of us westerners. Unfortunately, we can only do this in Asia by force, for they will not yield to our good common sense.

-- Wayne Stier

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Student, Professor Offer First-Hand Insights On Vietnam

By JANET HUTCHESON

Steve Fredrick, junior student, having spent ten and a half months in Vietnam as an army draftee, is grateful for the experience.

"Looking back, there were two ways I could have grown. You can't come out of something like that a worse man than you went into it--you have to be better.

"It gave me more respect for a man's life . . . and less respect for mankind as a whole. I gained insights into man in general, and learned what a vicious animal man can be--cold-blooded."

He mentioned another advantage: "I got an expense-paid vacation in Australia--but seven out of 300 days isn't all that great."

Since returning to campus, Steve said, "People shouldn't be hard on the GI for doing the job he's forced to do over there.

"They should in no way show support or favor to the Viet Cong regime. It's bad for the morale of the GIs there. Don't think that there's anyone more for peace than the GI in Vietnam.

Attitude Is Foolish

"The general attitude of the troops in Vietnam," said Steve, "is that the war is foolish. If you're fighting for your home or family, it's different, but it's their continent--we're only there as a result of our imperialism . . . for economic purposes.

"The war should be the primary consideration in Washington right now. They can't do anything at home while they're spending such a large part of the budget there," he went on to say.

"The only just war is a defensive war. I wouldn't go back to Vietnam. If 10 million Russian commies landed on the beaches in California, I would probably sign up to fight them--unless they just wanted something to eat."

As a war veteran, Steve feels that the war moratorium is a good idea and that the appeal should be heard. He also holds strong feelings about non - supporters: "Conservatives like professors and businessmen won't join for fear of being associated with radical groups like the SDS. They're afraid of the power structure.

"Privately, they're all against the war, but they haven't got the guts to stand up and support their belief. They're afraid to step out of line for fear that the Russian secret police will get them.

"But you can't blame them for that because you take a look around and see guys like Dr. Spock, Eldridge Cleaver and Gene McCarthy being run out of the country completely or blacklisted."

Returns To College

Steve applied for early dismissal to return to college and came home last June.

"I suddenly realized how short life really is and wanted to accomplish something in the time that I was here.

"When I was in Vietnam, everything here seemed so remote that it was as if I was in a different world.

"Now that I'm home, all my senses focus themselves on loud noises--like thunder. My aggression comes out of my pen--that helps."

Works For AID

Ronald Rockwell of the German Department spent a year in Vietnam in an advisory capacity for the State Department, working with Aid for International Development (AID).

This organization was sent to Vietnam early in 1962 to supervise the shipment of supplies to the district, province and regional levels. In 1967, the organization integrated with the military's CORD program, forming the advisory team as it is now in Vietnam.

Rockwell worked with a 10-man team as a Deputy Senior Adviser; his supervisor was a U. S. Army major. In his advisory position, he acquired considerable knowledge of the situation there.

"I went to Vietnam voluntarily, as a civilian working for the State Department, and I was free to leave at any time. It makes a lot of difference in your morale if you know that you're free to come home whenever you want.

"When I left for Vietnam, I was a hawk, but not anymore--at least not on the Vietnamese war. There will always be wars, and from a long-range point of view, it's not so bad.

Vietnam War Is Unjust

"But the Vietnam war is unjust. We took over too much of the load and did too much of the fighting," he went on to say.

"The United States seems to harbor guilt feelings about being such an affluent country. This, in addition to our desire to help other nations, produces a gen-

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LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

"HOW DO THEY EXPECT US TO EVER GET AN EDUCATION IF WE HAVE TO SPEND ALL OUR TIME GOING TO CLASS."

Waverly, Wartburg Reflections On Moratorium Appear Varied

By BETSY MABLE

All across the country, newspapers have called the Oct. 15 Moratorium "the biggest protest against the war ever organized in this country."

But according to one student at Wartburg, "If this is any kind of a protest at all, it's one against apathy," and by the reactions in the town of Waverly and on the campus, this is definitely true. People find themselves thinking about the issues inherent to the Oct. 15 activities.

General reflections made by townspeople upon dealing with Moratorium people have understandably been varied. One older gentleman, a World War I veteran, said, "I was a World War I veteran, and this country just hasn't learned that you can't win peace by fighting wars." He placed his support behind the Moratorium, calling it "a good thing."

Young Man Disagrees

A younger man, however, made a statement to the effect that he disagreed with the Moratorium. He doesn't think we can pull out and run back with our tail between our legs. He is afraid that it will split the people in the town and the people in the college.

"I just don't trust those long-haired kids," he added.

One merchant said, "I believe that the war has just gone on too long, and it's time to get out."

Others refused to close their stores to "stop business as usual" because they were responsible to the larger companies of which their stores were a part.

". . . But I'll be glad to help you in any way I can."

Teach-In Draws Interest

Interestingly enough, people want to attend the teach-in more than any other part of the program.

As for community response to the Moratorium, people are talking mostly about the march. A favorite topic is whether there should be one or not.

Many people feel that it is a violent form of expression, and both the marchers and the townspeople fear heckling from the other side. But a conversation with the police chief assured this writer that the community does not see itself in an antagonistic position toward the marchers.

Both sides also ponder the possibility of "a few carloads of outsiders" raising trouble, but neither know where they would come from.

The general feeling expressed downtown seems to be one of disagreement with the march itself, but it is usually expressed as "I don't know, but a lot of people are against it."

Bremer Sons Involved

Bremer County has a good many sons who either are, or have been, involved in the war effort, either through the draft or through enlistment.

Though only four men from Bremer County have died in Vietnam, too many are presently involved for the people here to count themselves untouched by the war.

A general fear for their safety presents a reason for much of the anti-Moratorium sentiment, and people have called the effort a "mockery of the dead," instead of the support effort that it is intended to be.

A lull in the pacification program in South Vietnam allows both Vietnamese citizens and American GI's a welcome interlude from combat tension. Photograph--courtesy of Steve Fredrick.

Poets' Pad

BLUD THE SACRED RIVER

Blud the Sacred River
winds around the world,
often in deep caverns gurgling,
often rushing on the ground.

Kings and queens and heads of state
daily bathe their sanguine bodies
in the Sacred River Blud,
in the source of greatest power.

Deep beneath the river's surface,
lies the bullion of the world,
gleam the jewels, gold, and silver
with which great men make their way.

The rulers of the world
are sailing with the current
of Blud the Sacred River,
the fountainhead of power.

High upon his stately barge,
the ruler sees the drowning infants,
drowning aged, drowning soldiers,
drowning in the Sacred River.

The cold pragmatic hand
of self-interest prods the man
whose fate will not allow him
to stop his barge or fight the current.

Deep beneath the groaning surface
lies the beauty of the world.
Human flesh, so inexpensive,
is washed on by the sacred current.

Marred but little by the surface
is the wealth that lies below.
Rulers strive to reach the bottom:
The meager cost is other men.

What black figures roam the edges
of the Sacred River Blud?
What holy chimes are bubbling upward?
What distant spires lie below?

-- Ken Zeigler

Moratorium Offers Community Opportunity To Learn: Dr. Baines

By DICK LEE

"I see this moratorium as a very positive kind of thing," said Dr. James D. Baines, visiting professor of urban studies at Wartburg.

"It's a situation where students have sought to the best of their ability and with a high degree of consideration to work out a program with college administration and the community."

Although Dr. Baines, who serves a consortium of four colleges in northern Iowa, has not actively participated in the work of the planning committees, he added, "I have been meeting with some of the students here, and I have given advice when it was sought."

As a Quaker, Dr. Baines has definite views about war. "I believe that war is not only immoral but insane. I consider the moratorium to be a moral and sane concern.

"I don't see how anyone can object strongly to the way in which students have tried to do something in this situation."

Adults Can Learn

Commenting on the effects of the moratorium, he continued, "Situations like this offer the adults the opportunity to learn from youth, who often see with a clarity not possessed by adults."

He believes that there may be important results from the moratorium. "The gains will first of all be the effect on the people participating. They develop an esprit de corps, a sense of common purpose that will transfer to other parts of their lives."

A second result of the moratorium will be the effect on the faculty at Wartburg. "The faculty has had to wrestle with a specific issue. They have been confronted with a problem and they have had to make a decision.

One May Find Himself

"Situations like these help them and the students to find what they are. A person often defines what he is only when a problem like this one faces him."

Dr. Jim Baines, Title III consultant, sees moratorium as a community learning experience.

Asked about the place of urban studies in Iowa, Dr. Baines answered, "Urban problems are not unique to the city.

"Similar kinds of tensions exist everywhere. The city tends to magnify these problems."

Dr. Baines also hopes that the studies will help prepare students for life after they leave Wartburg.

"Most of the students here will be living in an urban environment. They need to be aware of the problems of life in the city."

He added, "There is a real relationship between urban problems and the Vietnam war. The issues go into the important questions of militarism and war and peace."

ALC Considers Military Obligation

The American Lutheran Church at its Fourth General Convention in 1968 adopted the followng resolution:

"For its own part, The American Lutheran Church urges its members, and especially its pastors, to counsel with and stand by those who conscientiously object to military service as consistently as they counsel with and stand by those who for equal reasons of conscience serve in the armed forces.

"It warns against attempts to judge a person's patriotism or his Christian faith by his willingness or unwillingness to render military service."

The Convention also considered that:

"Wise and enlightened national policy, however, should provide channels of alternate service for men who on grounds of conscience object to participation in a particular war.

"Such a policy, safeguarding the integrity of a sensitive and informed conscience and heeding due processes of law to insure justice for all men, is preferable to emigration, a compromised integrity, or imprisonment."

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erosity--with no strings attached. That's bad.

Corruption Exists

"There is a great deal of corruption by the politicians in Saigon, and our troops are making them rich by patronizing their establishments," Rockwell remarked.

"The United States hasn't learned how to fight this type of war. It's discouraging to our troops to have to clear and reclear an area time and again.

"I believe that the morale of our troops stationed there was good. They all knew that if they were able to survive a year they could return home. If they had to remain for the duration of the war, it would be much worse.

"Because there are always fresh troops coming into the country, a false sense of optimism pervades. There is a definite lack of a sense of accomplishment," he added.

"The Viet Cong have proved that after three solid years of American commitment, the South Vietnamese Army has improved very little, if at all.

"On this basis, we can project into the future: 'Will the government of Vietnam ever be more capable of protecting itself than it is now?'

"We should have been more businesslike and have demanded something in return for our efforts. I'm not advocating a complete take-over, but we could have used the material things we gave to them to twist their arms.

"We could have accomplished a great deal more than we did. But we wanted to be too good to them, and they didn't understand our generosity -- they took it for granted.

"The South Vietnamese Army lacks leadership and initiative," Rockwell said. "Its leaders lack dedication. The privates could be good if they had good leaders commanding them.

"The government of Vietnam is the 'child' of the French colonists. With the French colonists, Ho Chi Minh did the fighting, with minimal effort on the part of the South Vietnamese, who, as a consequence, are accustomed to having their work done for them.

"The government of South Vietnam isn't nearly as brutal as that of North Vietnam; they're 'good guys' in that sense, but they're much too complacent.

"Their government officials should be tougher on the officers; but so many of them are lining their pockets that it's hard to single any of them out.

"We've already blown the war," is Rockwell's opinion. "We've lost far more people over there than we ever had to lose.

"If the Vietnamese government survives, we will have gained at least a partial victory. We made a strategic mistake in the conduct of the war, but I don't believe that our entrance into it was such a mistake.

"Our mistake was in committing so many Americans to do so much of the fighting."

Rockwell feels that the moratorium is a good idea, but he does not advocate immediate withdrawal of our troops from Vietnam.

"We should have withdrawn, or at least begun withdrawal in February of 1968, but we should not begin immediate withdrawal at this time.

"We should withdraw our troops, but on a gradual basis.

"President Nixon is under pressure," he added. "I feel that he's gotten the message already --he had the message when he got elected to office."

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